

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
DECEMBER 12,2009

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Moderator, Thomas Mullins opened the meeting at 9:00 AM

A review of the house rules followed:

1. There will be no smoking in the room
2. Unless otherwise stated before the meeting starts, we will follow the articles as printed.
3. The Moderator will read all articles; everyone has a right to hear what we are voting on.
4. Anyone wishing to speak to an article will wait to be recognized, stand and state his/her name.
5. Every article should have a fair hearing; therefore motion to pass over an article will not be accepted.
6. Any person wishing to speak to a article a second time must wait until all those who wish to speak have had a chance to speak
7. Anyone proposing an amendment to an article must submit the amendment in writing
8. Once we have voted on an article we will not reconsider
9. The meeting is being recorded
10. Please keep your comments directed to the article and address the chair, not back and forth among individuals
11. And last if the Moderator has made ruling that the assembly disagrees with they may overturn his ruling with a majority vote

Article 1: To see if the Town of Greenfield will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell certain parcels of land with the buildings thereon, known as Tax Map V3, Lots 6 and 6A, Located at 4 Slip Road and 771 Forest Road, conveyed to the town by Quitclaim Deed, in leau of tax deed by Sheldon and Beverly Carbee, and Greenfield Industries, Inc., dated September 24, 2009, and recorded at Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds at Book 8152, upon such terms as the Selectmen may deem in the best interests of the town.

There was lengthy discussion regarding, price accepted by the Selectmen for property that was auctioned earlier. But Selectmen felt it was more beneficial to accept then to hold on to property for better price, as the town would have to invest to bring property up to code, plus the losses the town would incur. We would have to hire a maintenance person, also a number of safety issues to be corrected, cost would be more than we would be able to recoup. Liability would be a big issue for town.

It was questioned how come this situation had taken so long to be addressed and if anything is being done to prevent this happening again. The Selectmen stated that we have an aggressive tax collector who keeping on top of delinquent property taxes

Article moved, put to a vote. Article passed with no dissenting vote.

Article 2: To see if the Town of Greenfield will vote t adopt the provisions of RSA 41;14-a, giving the Board of Selectmen the authority to acquire or sell land, buildings or


both, provided the procedures specified in RSA 41:14-a are followed, said authority to remain in effect until specifically rescinded by the town at any duly warned meeting.

Town Council read the law specified so that assembly would understand what they were voting for, this does not include tax-deeded property or gifts, and those are covered in articles already on record.

After much discussion where some people felt that it would be okay since there were still some checks, such as there had to be two public hearings, plus going before the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission, but others felt that wasn't enough since a lot of people didn't attend public hearings.

Vote by hand count: Yes 28 and No 36, therefore article failed. Assembly count 72 present at this meeting.. There was nothing else to come before the meeting and meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frances F. Kendall". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Frances F. Kendall, Deputy Town Clerk